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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 11 July 1980

Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] summarized his recent visit to stations in the Near East [REDACTED] accompanied by OMB Examiner Keith Hall. He said Hall was impressed throughout by the efficiency of station operations and the quality of our officers, and noted that Hall is supportive of the need for [REDACTED]. He said he and Hall were told by personnel at stations visited that the matter of "burn time" had not proved to be a burden, noting good support from Headquarters in this regard. He added implicitly that the stations were not building a case [REDACTED]. McMahon took exception and both Silver and Hitz said what was told to Hall and [REDACTED] is in conflict with what was reported to them in their recent visits to stations abroad. [REDACTED]

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Hetu said he is in touch with the National Archives re transfer/release of OSS files and that, at present, the files are not releasable. He noted that former OSS officers who are still alive may not want their names disclosed.

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Clarke reported from a [REDACTED] memo on the lively and positive exchange in NFAC's briefings to General Rogers, SACEUR. He said General Rogers will return in about six weeks for additional briefings, requesting specifically information on [REDACTED] Warsaw Pact countries re our early warning capability against war in Europe. Evans noted the Director has prepared a memorandum outlining specific topics to be covered next with General Rogers.

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Hitz said the SSCI has asked that a closed door briefing be provided 22 July on the Jamaica incident. He noted McMahon's suggestion that we move to stimulate similar interest by the HPSCI and hopefully brief both committees on the same day. Mr. Carlucci asked for views on whether or not we should have [REDACTED] a more realistic appreciation by committee members; a brief discussion followed on the pros and cons. Mr. Carlucci urged that we put our best foot forward in this instance toward gaining Identities legislation.

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Wortman reported a serious security breach evolving out of an NFAC contract with [REDACTED] and noted rumors are already spreading in allied industries. Specifically, it has been learned that a [REDACTED] employee had deliberately compromised a tape containing Secret information reportedly to advance company business. Wortman said all Agency action with this firm has been suspended and that the [REDACTED] corporate chief is extremely upset over the incident. Clarke said Evan Hineman is working this problem with the Office of Security. [REDACTED]

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Wortman reported infestation of the Headquarters Building by swarms of fungus gnats which thrive in the barks of trees on the compound. He said appropriate areas have been sprayed and that the problem should disappear within weeks. [REDACTED]

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In response to Mr. Carlucci's query, [] explained that OMB's decision re our request for relief on travel fund limits should be forthcoming in a week or so. He opined that OMB is likely to approve [] requested and emphasized that this information came to him on a privileged basis and should not be disclosed. [] advised that a similar freeze on travel is likely for next year and that we should begin now to document our case. []

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